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WOMAN'S FEDERATION CASTS BALLOTS TODAY

Contest for Offices to End at 4 O'Clock—"Suffrage" Issue Not a Factor.

NEW YORK, May 31.—Polls for the biennial election of officers of the General Federation of Women's Clubs opened in the 7th Regiment Armory at 8 o'clock this morning. Voting will continue until 4 p.m., and if all goes smoothly the result may be announced tonight or tomorrow.

The suffrage issue virtually has been eliminated from the contest by the declaration of both candidates for president, Mrs. Joseph Evans Cowles of Los Angeles and Mrs. Samuel B. Sneath of Tiffin, Ohio—favoring votes for women.

California Declaration.

The California delegation nevertheless has issued a statement on the subject, which says:

"We of California, as loyal suffragists, believe in equal citizenship for men and women and urge its extension to every state in the Union at the earliest possible moment. At the same time we are equally opposed to any procedure which would result in antagonism between men and women."

Representation With Taxation.

Mrs. Sneath has announced her belief that woman taxpayers should have representation in the government and that, being punishable for breaking the laws, women should be allowed to assist in making them. At the business session this morning, the delegates took up the question of joining the National Council of Women.

Affirmative action on this question, it was said, would be taken if the national organization would permit the federation, through the national council, to join the international council and thus broaden its affiliations. Opposition came from delegates who believed that the federation should not become a member of the national council, which is a smaller body than the Federation of Women's Clubs. The international council represents 15,000,000 women, living in the United States and Canada, in European countries, in Argentina and South Africa.

Reports and Addresses.

Reports and addresses were received this morning from the departments of civil service reform and industrial and social conditions. Among the speakers on the program were William J. Doherly, second deputy commissioner of charities, New York; Miss Julia C. Lathrop, chief of the children's bureau of the Department of Labor, Washington; Richard H. Dana, Cambridge, Mass., president of the National Civil Service Reform League; and Thomas Mott Osborne, former warden of Sing Sing prison, New York.

AUDUBON SOCIETY ENDS SPRING WALK SEASON

Organization Has a Record of Seventy-Nine Trips in Fifteen Years.

On the Six Trips This Year 135 Persons Attended and 125 Species of Birds Were Seen.

With a record of seventy-nine trips in fifteen years, and only one trip having been postponed on account of weather, the Audubon Society of the District of Columbia during the month now closing ended another successful season of spring walks.

The outings this year, according to the report of the society just issued, were six in number, on consecutive Saturdays beginning April 22. The six trips were attended by 135 persons in all, who saw 125 species of birds. The leaders of these trips included Dr. T. S. Palmer, E. A. Preble and A. H. Howell of the biological survey; William Palmer and C. R. Shoemaker of the National Museum; Mrs. Clarence A. Aspinwall, Dr. S. W. Mellott, Mr. and Mrs. Leo D. Miner and Raymond W. Moore.

Those who attended all the outings and formed the "honor roll" of the society in this respect are announced as follows: Mrs. Ethna M. Agnew, Miss K. B. Baird, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Broome, Mrs. Grace Ross, Miss Katherine Chapman, Miss Minnie W. Curry, Miss Blanche P. Galtier, Miss Gertrude E. Kelsey, Mrs. M. J. McLean, Miss Nellie McLean, Mr. and Mrs. Leo D. Miner, Mr. Raymond W. Moore, Mrs. Clara I. Thomas, Miss L. W. Wilkinson and Mrs. E. B. Townsend.

Were on Five of the Outings.

Those who attended five of the walks were R. M. Brown, Miss Cornelia A. Caskey, Miss M. Cleveland, Dr. C. R. Dufour, Miss L. B. Fisher, Miss F. W. Layton, Miss Bertha Loventhal, Dr. S. W. Mellott, Miss M. Jane Moore, Seward, C. R. Shoemaker, Miss M. M. Soule, H. Stephenson and Miss Mary D. Suter.

Those who attended four of the walks were Mrs. Clarence A. Aspinwall, Miss Esther E. Brookings, Miss Helen P. Childs, Miss Frankanna Connolly, Miss Alice Dufour, Mrs. James P. Egan, Mrs. Virginia S. Fralin, Miss Margaret Golze, Miss B. B. Howell, Mrs. Rebecca R. Reese, Miss Catherine M. Reese, Miss Margaret Reese and Mrs. C. H. Stephenson.

Those who attended three walks were Dr. and Mrs. Edwin A. Hill, Miss E. Nielsen, Mrs. Sarah H. Moss, Miss Helen P. Mulliken, Miss Mabel Perry, Edmund Platt, Mrs. Edmund Platt, G. W. H. Roelink, Miss Cary Thompson, Mrs. E. M. Underwood and Miss Ethel C. Watts.

Species of Birds Seen.

The species of birds seen on each of the six trips are given as follows: Bluebird, robin, chickadee, titmouse, Carolina wren, mockingbird, cardinal, song sparrow, field sparrow, goldfinch, meadow lark, common crow, bluejay, downy woodpecker, purple grackle, red-winged blackbird, phoebe, flicker, white-throated sparrow, mourning dove, chipping sparrow, chickadee, thrasher, Louisiana water thrush, rough-winged swallow, black and white warbler, chimney swift, house wren, sparrow, sandpiper, ovenbird, yellow warbler, Maryland yellowthroat, white-eye vireo, redstart, catbird, wood thrush, yellow-throated vireo, great-crowned flycatcher.

Additional birds seen on the first outing were white-breasted nuthatch,

cedarbird, fish crow, red-headed woodpecker, sparrow hawk, bald eagle, rusty grackle, golden-crowned kinglet, winter wren, brown creeper, junco, purple finch, hermit thrush, savanna sparrow, vesper sparrow, kingfisher, myrtle warbler, purple martin, pine warbler, blue-gray gnatcatcher, ruby-crowned kinglet, yellow palm warbler, yellow-throated warbler, barn swallow, solitary vireo, whippoorwill, kingbird and greater yellowlegs.

Additional birds seen on the second outing were the red-bellied woodpecker, hairy woodpecker, broad-winged hawk, red-shouldered hawk, bob-white, herring gull, woodcock, swamp sparrow, osprey, green heron, bank swallow, grasshopper sparrow, prairie warbler, parula warbler, red-eyed vireo, chat, hooded warbler, indigo bunting, black-throated blue warbler, lesser scaup. Additional birds seen on the third outing were the night heron, yellow-bellied sapsucker, tree swallow, solitary sandpiper, scarlet tanager, warbling vireo, hummingbird, orchard oriole, Baltimore oriole, rose-breasted grosbeak, Acadian flycatcher, yellow-billed cuckoo and the following warblers: Black-throated green, worm-eating, chestnut-sided, Kentucky, Blackburnian, blackpoll, Cape May, bay-breasted. Additional birds for the fourth outing were the Cooper hawk, red-breasted nuthatch, killdeer, cowbird, northern waterthrush, Wilson thrush, bobolink, olive-backed thrush, wood pewee, magnolia warbler, Wilson warbler. Additional

birds seen on the fifth outing were the migrant shrike, least flycatcher, Tennessee warbler. Additional birds seen on the last outing were summer tanager, night hawk and black-billed cuckoo.

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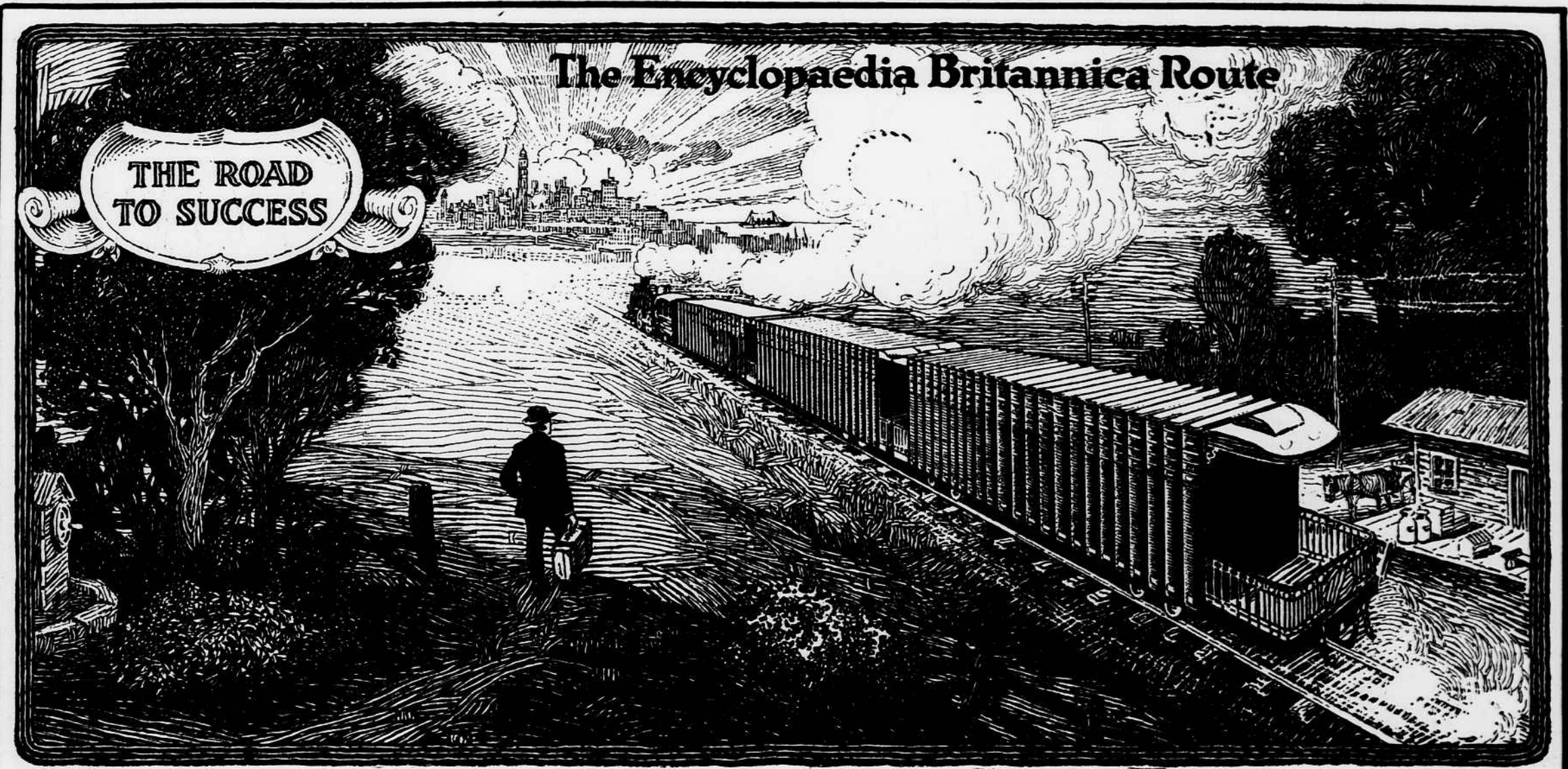
Obtaining of crews for their vessels is a problem that is causing the hair of vessel masters at this port, as well as elsewhere, to turn gray and, incl-

dentally, is causing delay in the movements of the vessels. Men fit for anything have been hard to obtain for several years, but recently the situation has become desperate and vessels in the larger ports are forced frequently to remain at the dock for several days while shipping agencies are scouring up crews.

The river and bay traders, until recently, have been able to find men about the river front who knew enough to steer a trick at the wheel and to pull on halyard to raise sail. Since the coming of warmer weather even this class of men cannot be found. The schooner Alert, Capt. Scott, has been lying here for ten days awaiting a crew to sail for a bay point to load, and the schooner S. Sawyer is lying at Alexandria unable to get men to make a trip in her.

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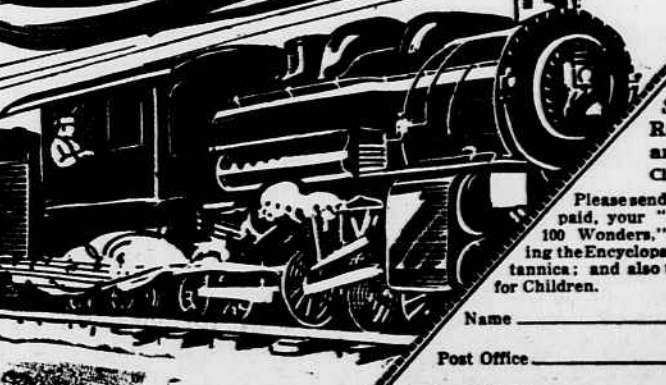
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